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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE on Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Application Number 10/717,610 Filing Date **TRANSMITTAL** November 21, 2003 First Named Inventor **FORM** DO, Gi Hyeong Art Unit 3749 (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing) Examiner Name Stephen M. Gravini Attorney Docket Number 9988.071.00-US Total Number of Pages in This Submission ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply) After Allowance Communication Fee Transmittal Form Drawing(s) to Group Appeal Communication to Board of Fee Attached Licensing-related Papers Appeals and Interferences Appeal Communication to Group Amendment/Reply Petition (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) Petition to Convert to a After Final **Proprietary Information** Provisional Application Power of Attorney, Revocation Affidavits/declaration(s) Status Letter Change of Correspondence Address X Other Enclosure(s) (please Extension of Time Request Terminal Disclaimer identify below): **EXAMINER INTERVIEW Express Abandonment Request** Request for Refund **SUMMARY** Information Disclosure Statement CD, Number of CD(s) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Remarks Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT Mark R. Kresloff, Reg. No. 42,766 Firm MCKENNA LONG & ALDRIDGE LLP Individual name Signature



Docket No.: 9988.071.00-US

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In re Application of:

Gi Hyeong DO

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Application No.: 10/717,610

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Art Unit: 3749

For: LAUNDRY DRYER CONTROL METHOD

Examiner: Stephen M. Gravini

(Amended)

MS AF-Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

The Applicants wish to thank Examiner Gravini for taking the time to discuss the pending application with the Applicants' representatives on December 28, 2004 where the pending claims along with the references cited in the Office Action dated December 1, 2004 (hereinafter "Office Action") were discussed. The Final Office Action rejected claims 1-5 where claims 1, 2, and 4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,158,148 to Krausch (hereinafter "Krausch"). In rejecting the claims, the Office Action states "more broadly construing Krausch at column 5, lines 44-62, it can be implicitly taught that the disclosed timer can be used to calculate an overall drying time based on the measured variation rate from the temperature sensors." See Office Action at page 3.

During the Examiner Interview, the Examiner indicated that what he meant by his statement on page 3 was that Krausch inherently teaches a timer that calculates an overall drying time based on the measured variation rate from temperature sensors. In response, the Application No.: 10/717,610 Docket No.: 9988.071.00-US

Applicants' representative indicated that the timer described in *Krausch* only works for a predetermined amount of time, and that the timer does not, nor can it be used to calculate anything. *See e.g.*, col. 5, ll. 52-61. Accordingly, the Applicants' representative then stated that the timer in *Krausch* cannot expressly or inherently calculate an overall drying time based on the measured temperature variation rate, as recited in claim 1. The Examiner agreed.

The Applicants' representative then asked the Examiner to withdraw the rejection and issue a new Office Action. The Examiner said that he would not withdraw the rejection and that the Applicants would have to file either a Request for Continued Examination or a Notice of Appeal. With all respect, the Applicants' believe the Patent Office should withdraw the present rejection and issue a new Office Action.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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